

Waseda CS-L (Customized Study Programs – Language Focused)

University of Pennsylvania

Location: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA -- Philadelphia is a vibrant and diverse city of 1.5 million people! It is the sixth largest city in the United States and was the United States' first capital. Philadelphia is rich in culture, history, art, nature, shopping, and entertainment. Students can attend music performances, cheer on professional sports teams, explore famous museums, visit historical sites, shop at trendy boutiques, and much, much more! Philadelphia is located between New York and Washington, D.C., and within easy travel distance to Boston, Baltimore, and the Atlantic Ocean beaches.

Title: University of Pennsylvania's English Language Programs (ELP) is one of the top programs in the U.S. All full-time instructors hold Master's or PhD degrees in English as a Second Language (ESL) or Applied Linguistics and have extensive teaching experience.

University of Pennsylvania (Penn) is a top-ranked, Ivy League university, home to the Wharton School of Business. Each year, Penn ELP offers Academic English, Business English, and General English to a diverse group of students from many different countries! As part of the university community, the ELP opens the door for students to study English at a top- ranked U.S. university!

Program Information: Waseda students enroll the below program(s) from March 5 –April 24, 2026 (Spring 2) and April 30–June 19, 2026 (Summer 1). Each session is 7 weeks.

	Intensive Program	University Connection
Session Length	7 weeks	7 weeks
Academic Hours Per Week	20	20

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Type of English Study	General with academic & business options	Academic & university admissions
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Language Requirements: TOEFL iBT of 32+, IELTS of 4.0+

	Intensive Program	University Connection
Proficiency Level	Levels 300 (pre-intermediate) to 800 (advanced) Students must be at the high-intermediate or advanced levels to choose academic and/or business English electives Students will take a placement test before arrival to determine proficiency level.	Intermediate to Advanced

GPA Requirements: N/A

Nationality: Is enrollment open to students of any nationality including your own country? Yes.

Other Requirements: N/A

Dates:

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Intensive Program and University Connection	March 5 –April 24, 2026 (Spring 2) + April 30–June 19, 2026 (Summer 1)

Program:

Intensive Program: The Intensive Program (IP) combines high-quality curriculum with experienced instruction to help you achieve your academic, professional, or personal

goals. In the IP, you can focus on academic English, business English, or all-purpose English. Our courses will help you improve your listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills.

University Connection Program: The University Connection (UniConn) program combines academic English preparation with one-on-one advising, admissions workshops, and orientation to US university culture to help you successfully apply and gain admission to undergraduate or graduate degree programs at US universities. Eligible advanced-level students can also apply to take a credit course through Penn's College of Liberal and Professional Studies (LPS). In order to enroll in an LPS course, typically students would need to successfully complete one session at the 800-level and demonstrate their motivation to succeed in a credit-bearing course. It may be possible for Waseda students who are placed in the 800-level for the Spring 2 session to enroll in an LPS course for the Summer 1 session, however, this would need to be discussed with our advising staff.

All programs include opportunities for social and cultural activities and exchanges.

Academic Study

Additional information about class offerings can be found at

www.elp.upenn.edu/program/intensive-program/courses

And [www.elp.upenn.edu/university-connection-](http://www.elp.upenn.edu/university-connection-program/courses)

[program/courses](http://www.elp.upenn.edu/university-connection-program/courses). All programs above are open enrollment.

Housing and Meal Plan

Housing options:

[Student Apts near UPENN & Drexel in Philadelphia | Hamilton Court](#)

Dining options:

ELP students have a variety of dining options available to them. Some students eat on campus in dining halls that feature a variety of foods and a constantly changing menu. For more information, see the [Penn Dining website](#).

Most students buy their meals at restaurants and at the many food trucks that are located all over campus or cook meals in their rooms or apartments. There is a large supermarket near campus. Philadelphia also has many ethnic grocery stores that carry imported food items.

Opportunities for Learning Through Experience

ELP students are able to participate in Penn's many student clubs and organizations. Students may also participate in the Conversation Partner program, which pairs ELP students and members of the Penn community. The ELP Student Services and Programs Manager can assist students with finding activities of interest. The ELP Student Services and Programs Manager also organizes field trips and activities throughout the ELP session.

Additional information can be found at www.elp.upenn.edu/student-life/student-services-resources.

Facilitation Plan

Students are able to meet with the ELP advising team and ELP Student Services Coordinator. Meetings can be arranged as requested with various other staff as well.

Estimated Tuition:

\$8,738.00/ whole duration of the program

Other mandatory fee:

University Fees - \$1,386.00/ two session

Insurance -\$576.00 / two session

Estimated accommodation expenses: \$1,000-\$1,500 month

Students pay selected housing provider directly; methods of payment may vary depending on the accommodations chosen by the student.

Estimated food expenses: \$600-\$1000/ month

Web Page (If you have created a local web page for the program please list it – as well as your university web page) www.elp.upenn.edu

Our digital brochure can also be found here - <https://upenn.therack.live/isg>

Instagram - @pennelp

Facebook – University of Pennsylvania ELP

Youtube - <https://www.youtube.com/@UPennELP>